

**DISMANTLING THE MYTHS
CONCERNING WHAT WE KNOW AS THE TRUTH OF GOD
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*And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you.
For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many.
(Matthew 24:4-5)*

For years satan has tried to discount the authenticity of God with false teachings, misinterpretations, and by confusing the simplicity of the Word of God. Today, he continues his counterproductive quest by going so far as to suggest that Christ never even existed. The wide world of entertainment has long been his vehicle of choice in steering the religious and spiritual opinions of men. In movies like *The Exodus, Stigmata, Constantine, The Devil's Advocate, The Omen, The Last Temptation of Christ, Jesus Christ Superstar*, these movies were designed to deal devastating blows to the Christian faith and challenge the deity and authenticity of the Christian faith, failing every time, as the Christian faith rises above every negative word spoken against God and His only begotten Son, Christ Jesus. Yet again, satan tirelessly delivers another blow—the DaVinci Code. In this movie, those who are spiritual can spot the fury and desperation of the devil as his blatant doctrines are plastered across the screen. The lesson tonight is not geared to steer your opinion one way or another concerning a movie, but rather, to present the facts and teach you, as a Believer, how not to be swayed by the subtle teachings and doctrines of devils that are now flooding our airwaves and finding their way in the cracks and crevices of many of our religious institutions.

The Falsehood of the Gospel as depicted by the DaVinci Code:

1. **That early Christians didn't believe that Jesus was the Son of God. False.**
Just as there are religions today who doubt that Jesus was the Son of God, there were those in the Bible days who did as well. However, there was never a question regarding whether or not early Christians confessed and believed that Jesus was the Son of God. Of course they did, as recorded in Matthew 16:16; *Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.* [stated by Simon Peter]
2. **In A.D. 325, the Council of Nicea invented Jesus' divinity. False.**
The council actually met only to clarify Jesus' divinity, not to create it. *I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.* (Rev. 22:13)
3. **Jesus was married to Mary Magdelene. False.**
There is no mention of this in the Gospels or in history. One reference (in the Gnostic material) refers to Mary as the "companion" of Jesus, but this

does not translate to wife or spouse. Throughout scripture, the Bible gives reference to who Mary Magdalene is, and never mentions or even eludes to her being married to Jesus. *Now when Jesus was risen early the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom he had cast seven devils.* Mark 16:9

4. The Bible was invented in the fourth century by the Roman Emperor Constantine. False.

The Roman Emperor Constantine is mentioned nowhere as it relates to this fact, no even in the Cambridge History of the Bible. Actually, Christians recognized the Gospels about 150 years before Constantine.

5. Jesus and Mary bore a child together. False.

This myth first began circulating in 1982 after the book, *Holy Blood, Holy Grail* was published. However, there are no historical or biblical recordings to support this claim.

6. Jesus wasn't really the Son of God, but instead was more of a pagan deity or witch. False.

The teachings of Jesus alone, dismantle this myth.

Although the book and movie are fiction, the author claims to have done extensive research to convey that his story is based on facts. His so-called findings are causing many to question their faith and their God. When in doubt, remember the words of 1 Timothy 4:1 – *Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils...*

What is “the faith?” Belief or trust in God, the Creator of all things and in His divinity to create and fulfill all things.

- JESUS' BIRTH
- JESUS' DEATH
- JESUS' RESURRECTION

What are “seducing spirits?” A seducing spirit is a spirit that embodies itself in humans to lead people astray and away from the truth of God.

What are doctrines of devils? False teachings. The only way to learn the truth of God is to read and to study His Word.

Anything that causes you to question your faith, give heed to seducing spirits, or believe the doctrines of devils is a sign that the enemy—the author of confusion—is again working in an attempt to discredit the Word of God.